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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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John C. Knopp

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Examiner: Marc E. Norman

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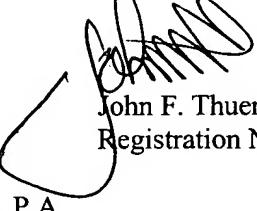
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of one (1) month (from November 8, 2005 to December 8, 2005) within which to respond to the Office Action dated August 8, 2005 is requested. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,


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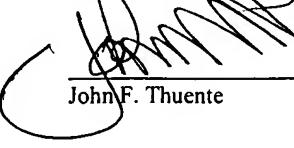
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